

Civilian Non-Institutional Population, 16 +
(excludes military and institutionalized persons)

Civilian Labor Force
(65.6%)

Out of Labor Force (33.4%)

- Persons under 16 years old,
- Have no job, are not looking for work,
 - Military,
 - Family Responsibilities,
 - Physical or Mental Disability,
 - Inmates of Prison,
 - Homeless

Employed

- Any work at all for pay during the Reference Week,
- At least 15 hours of unpaid work in family business,
- Temporary Absence for vacation, illness, labor dispute, bad weather, child care, personal reasons, etc.

Unemployed

- No work for pay/profit during reference week,
- Actively looked for work in prior 4 weeks,
- Available for work

Do Not Want a Job Now

Want a Job Now

Discouraged Workers

- Want a job, have looked for work in past 12 months, are available, but feel that no jobs are available

Did Not Look Last Year

- Retired,
- Disability,
- Family Responsibilities,
- Attending School, keeps them from participating in the Labor Force

Job Losers

Permanent Job Losers

- Employment ended involuntarily and began looking for work

Temporary Job Losers

- Given a return to work date or expect to return in 6 months

Job Leavers

- Employment ended voluntarily and began looking for work

New Entrants

- No prior work experience

Reentrants

- Previously worked but were out of the labor force prior to beginning their work search

Full Time

- Usually worked 35 hours or more in Reference Week

Part Time

- Usually worked less than 35 hours in Reference Week

Voluntary Part Time Noneconomic Reasons

- Does not want to work full time, or not available for F.T., Child care problems, personal obligations, school or training

Involuntary Part Time Economic Reasons

- Wants & available for F.T. Can't find full time work, seasonal declines in demand, slack work, unfavorable business conditions

Nationally, the labor force statistics are derived from the **Current Population Survey (CPS)**, which is conducted by the Bureau of Census for the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS). This monthly survey is based on a selected sample of the working-age population 16 years of age and over. The national CPS sample currently consists of approximately 60,500 households; there are 1,250 in Rhode Island. Each household in the sample represents about 1,600 households throughout the United States.